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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG, UNSC, JA

SUBJECT: JAPANESE ASPIRATIONS FOR PERMANENT SECURITY  
COUNCIL SEAT

REF: A) USUN 825  
B) STATE 42020  
C) TOKYO 2965

1. BEGIN SUMMARY: YOU SHOULD ADVISE THE GOJ THAT OUR  
CONSULTATIONS WITH OTHER SECURITY COUNCIL PERMANENT  
MEMBERS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED, AND THAT WE WOULD NOW  
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LIKE TO CONSULT IN WASHINGTON AT THEIR CONVENIENCE  
REGARDING THEIR DESIRE FOR A PERMANENT SC SEAT AS WELL  
AS THEIR CONCERNS REGARDING "ENEMY STATES" CLAUSES  
OF UN CHARTER. END SUMMARY.

2. WITH ANTICIPATED NEGATIVE SOVIET RESPONSE (REF A),  
DEPARTMENT CONSIDERS THAT WE HAVE GONE AS FAR AS

POSSIBLE IN CONSULTATIONS WITH OTHER PERMANENT SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBERS REGARDING JAPANESE ASPIRATIONS FOR A PERMANENT SEAT.

3. AS SUGGESTED REF B AND ENDORSED BY EMBASSY REF C, WE ARE THEREFORE PREPARED TO COMMENCE COMPREHENSIVE

DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON WITH JAPANESE REPRESENTATIVE(S) CONCERNING BOTH PERMANENT SEAT AND "ENEMY STATES."

4. EMBASSY MAY DRAW ALSO ON REF B AND INFORM GOJ OF THE ABOVE AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL. TO INSURE THAT NO UNJUSTIFIED EXPECTATIONS ARE GENERATED, YOU SHOULD MAKE CLEAR THAT THE RESULTS OF OUR CONSULTATIONS ON A PERMANENT SEAT HAVE BEEN NEGATIVE, AND THAT WE ALSO SEE GREAT LEGAL AND POLITICAL DIFFICULTIES IN ANY ATTEMPT TO AMEND THE CHARTER TO ELIMINATE OR MODIFY THE "ENEMY STATES" CLAUSES. NONETHELESS, WE BELIEVE IT SHOULD BE USEFUL TO EXPLORE IN DEPTH WITH THE JAPANESE THE FAIRLY INTENSIVE STUDY WE HAVE GIVEN TO THESE ISSUES.

5. ASSUMING GOJ IS AMENABLE TO PROPOSED DISCUSSIONS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE THEIR VIEWS ON DATES AND ON WHOM THEY WISH TO SEND. IF EMBASSY TOKYO BELIEVES IT APPROPRIATE, YOU MAY SAY THAT WE WOULD BE DELIGHTED  
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IF UN BUREAU DIRECTOR GENERAL OKAWA COULD MAKE THE TRIP. SOMEONE FROM LEGAL DIVISION OF MOFA WOULD ALSO BE WELCOME.

6. WE WOULD HOPE THAT IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO SCHEDULE A MEETING SOMETIME IN MARCH OR APRIL AS FAR IN ADVANCE OF THE FUKUDA VISIT AS POSSIBLE.  
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